

65 nm Analyst Meeting  
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# Intel's 65 nm Logic Technology

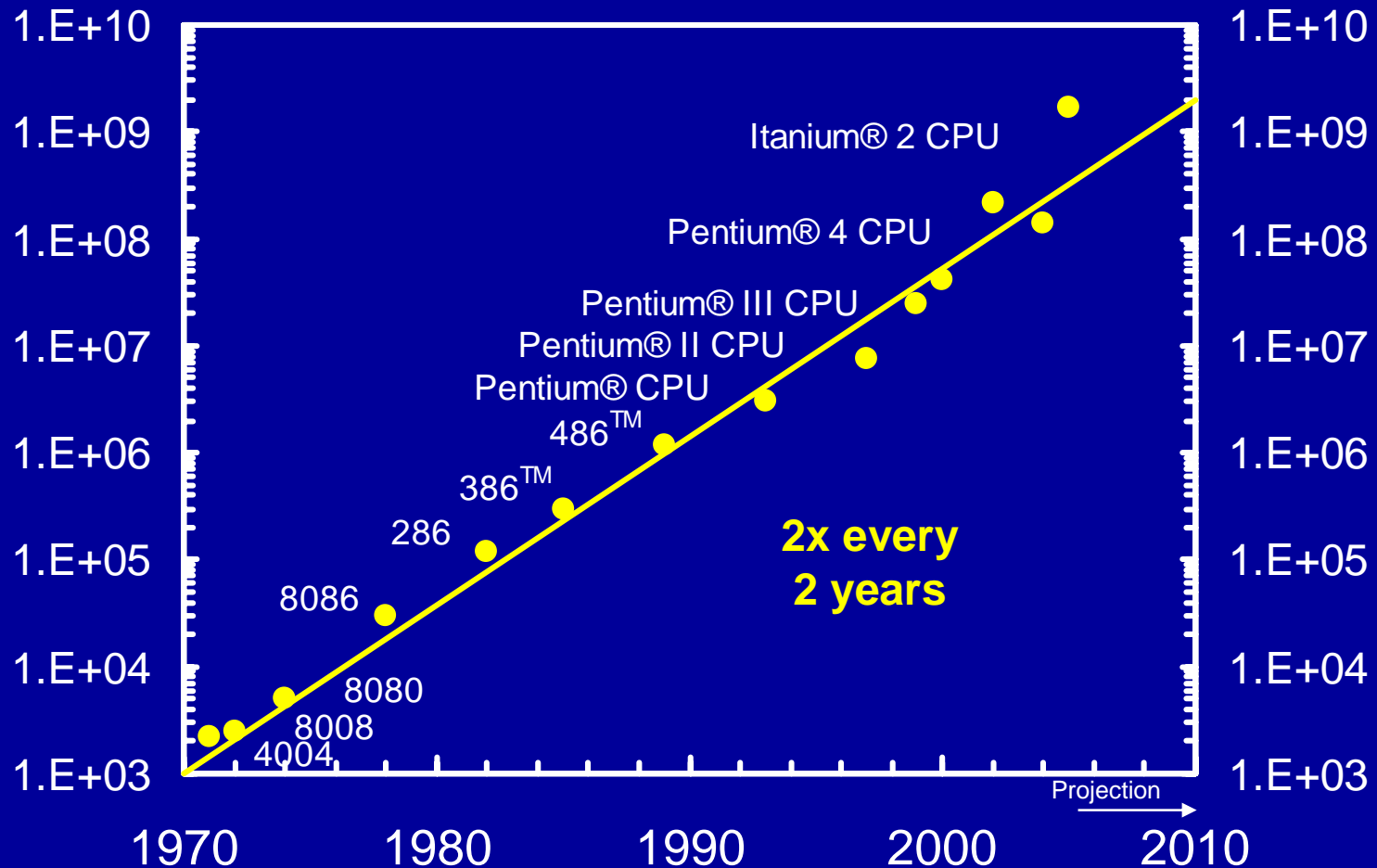
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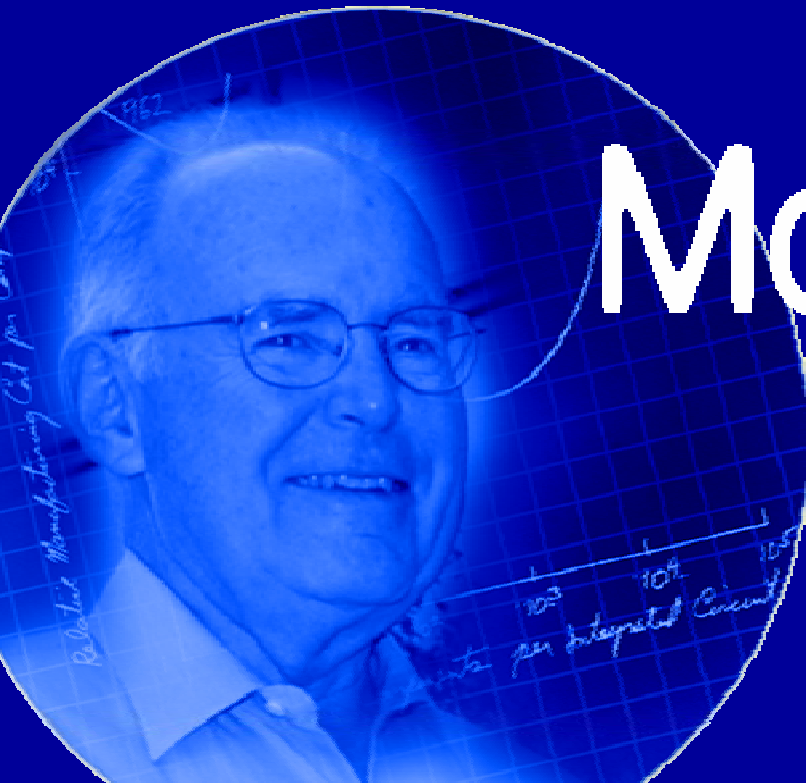
# 65 nm Generation Key Points

- **Scaling challenges**
- **Strained silicon technology**
- **Improved transistor performance**
- **Reduced power**
- **Product benefits**

# Transistor Count Trend



*Moore's Law Continues!*

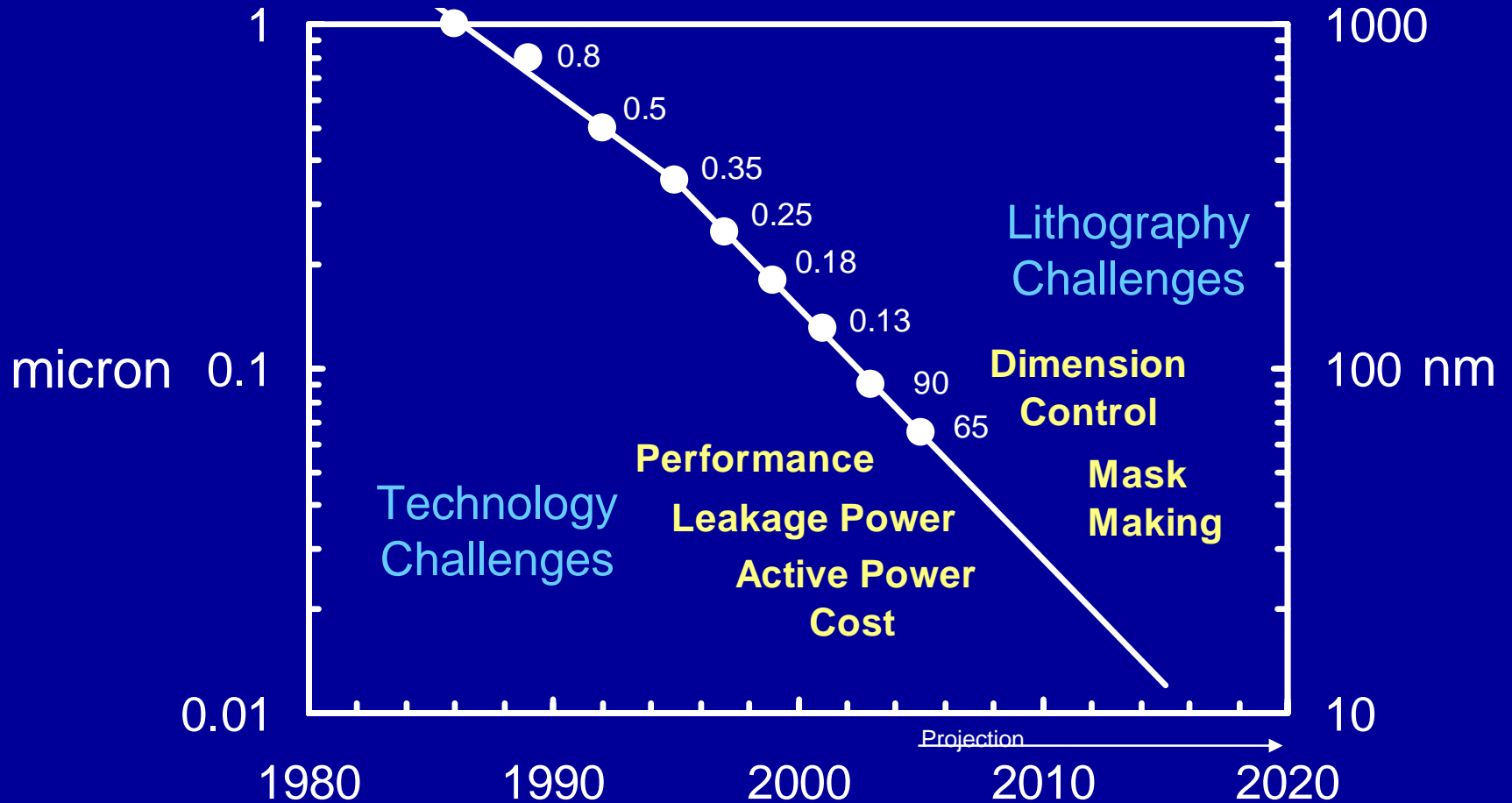


# Moore's Law

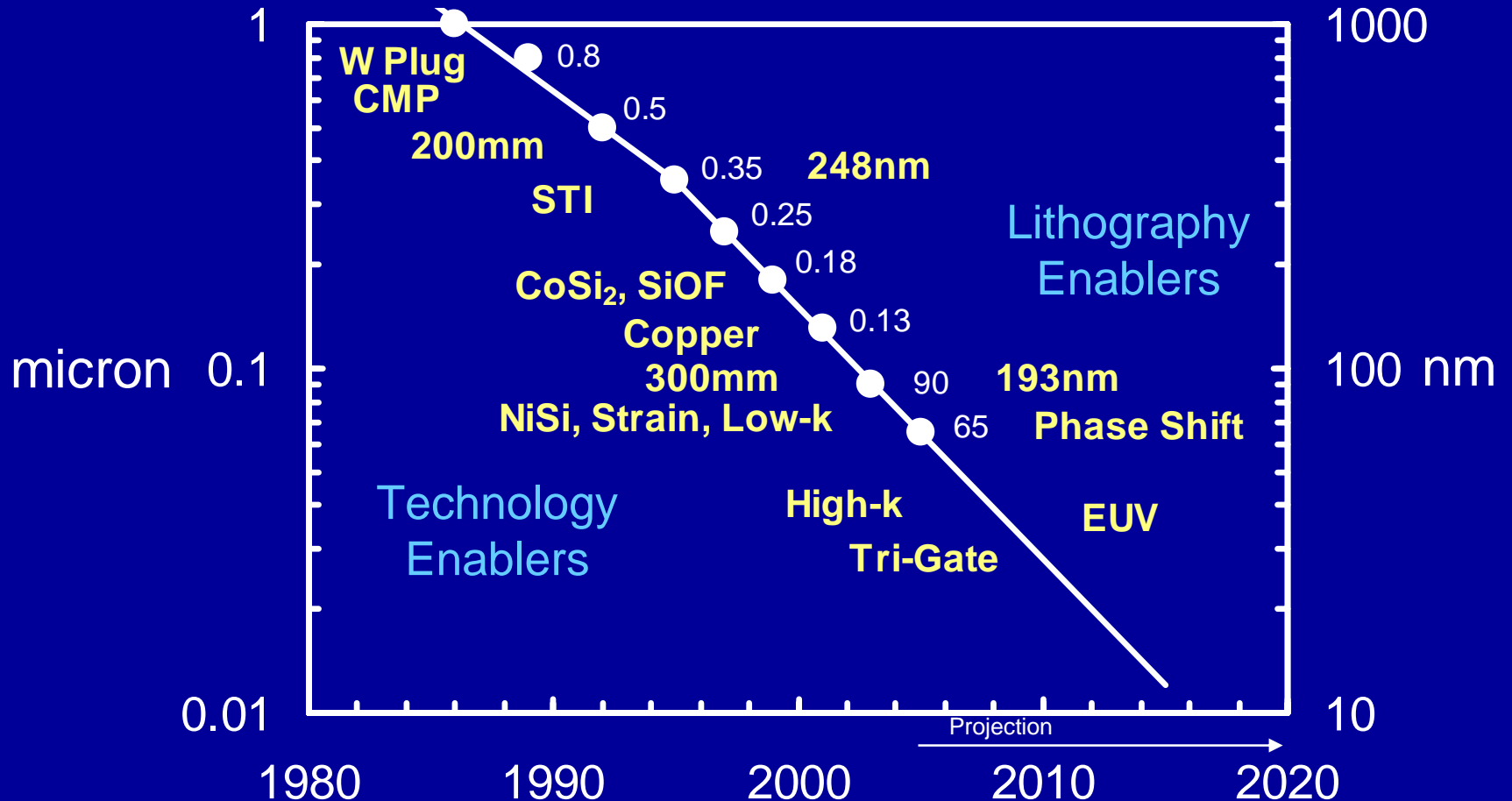
remains the fundamental enabler...

**Shift from pure MHz to maximizing price / performance / watt**

# Scaling Challenges



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Intel continues to develop and implement new materials and structures to meet the challenge

# Intel's Logic Technology Evolution

			Projection	Projection	Projection
Process Name	<u>Px60</u>	<u>P1262</u>	<u>P1264</u>	<u>P1266</u>	<u>P1268</u>
Lithography	130nm	90nm	65nm	45nm	32nm
Gate Length	70nm	50nm	35nm	25nm	18nm
Wafer (mm)	200/300	300	300	300	300
1 <sup>st</sup> Production	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009

Intel continues to introduce a new technology generation every 2 years

# Intel's 65 nm Process

- Intel has disclosed details of its 65 nm generation logic technology which provides improved performance and reduced power:
  - 1.2 nm transistor gate oxide
  - 35 nm transistor gate length
  - Enhanced strained silicon technology
  - 8 layers of copper interconnect
  - Low-k dielectric
- This technology is being demonstrated on fully functional 70 Mbit SRAM chips and two different microprocessor prototypes
- Intel's 65 nm technology is on track for ramping in 2005

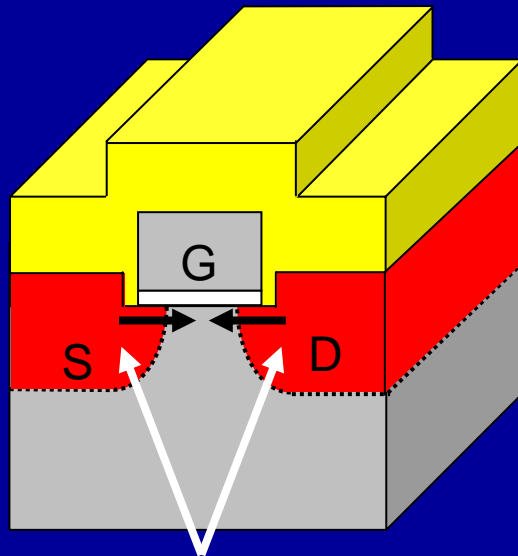


# 65 nm Generation Transistors

- 1.2 nm gate oxide, 35 nm gate length for improved performance
- NiSi for low resistance cap on gates and source-drains
- Intel's unique uniaxial strained silicon technology, first introduced on the 90 nm generation, is further enhanced on 65 nm transistors for improved performance
- At the 65 nm generation, strained silicon improves performance ~30% relative to non-strain

Intel has developed a second generation of strained silicon technology while others are still struggling to develop their first generation

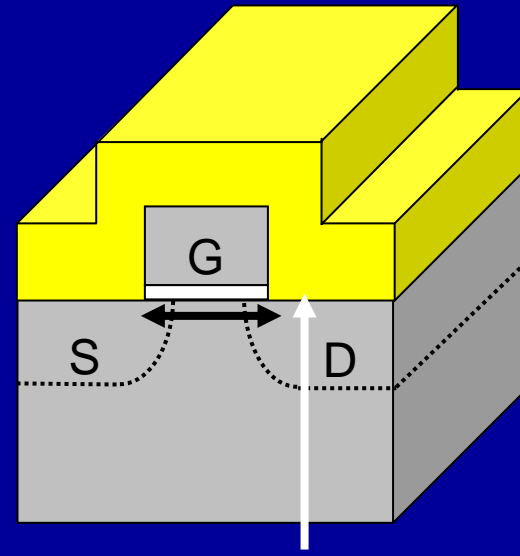
# Intel's Strained Silicon Technology



Selective SiGe S-D

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Uniaxial Compressive Strain

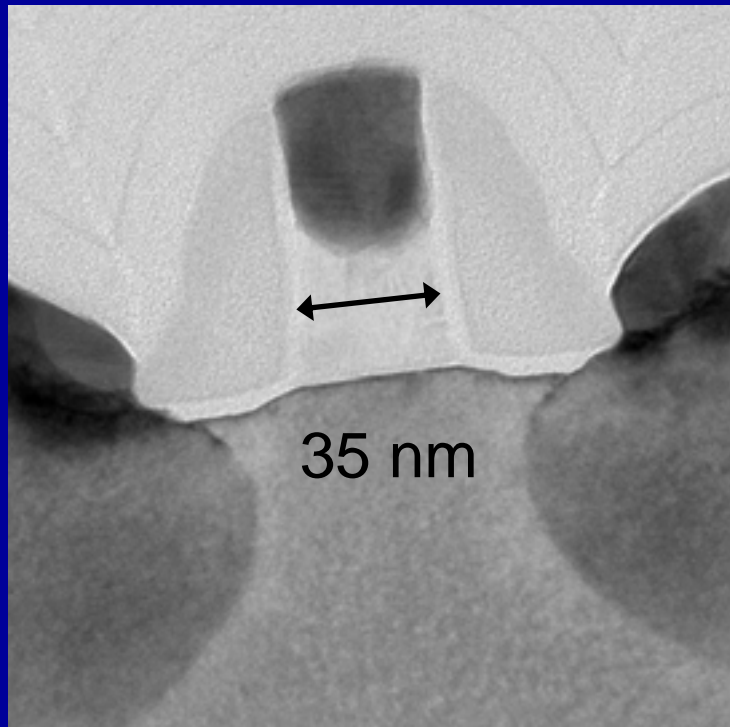


Tensile Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> Cap

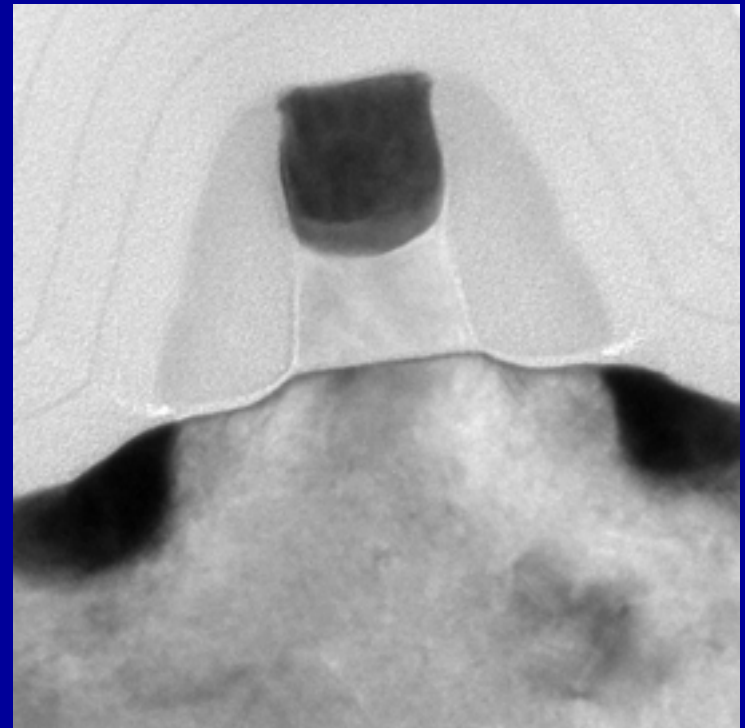
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Uniaxial Tensile Strain

# 65 nm Generation Transistors

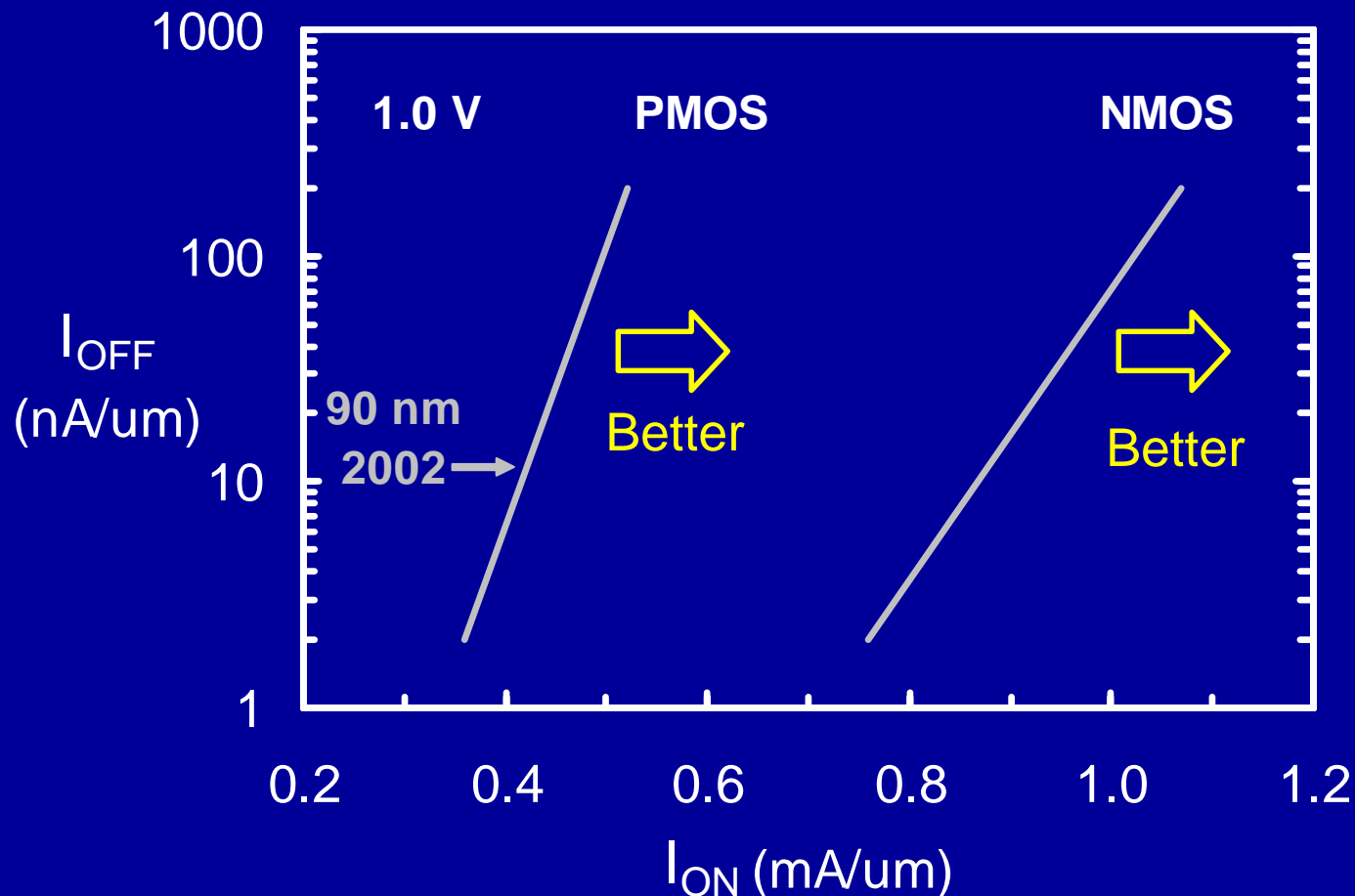


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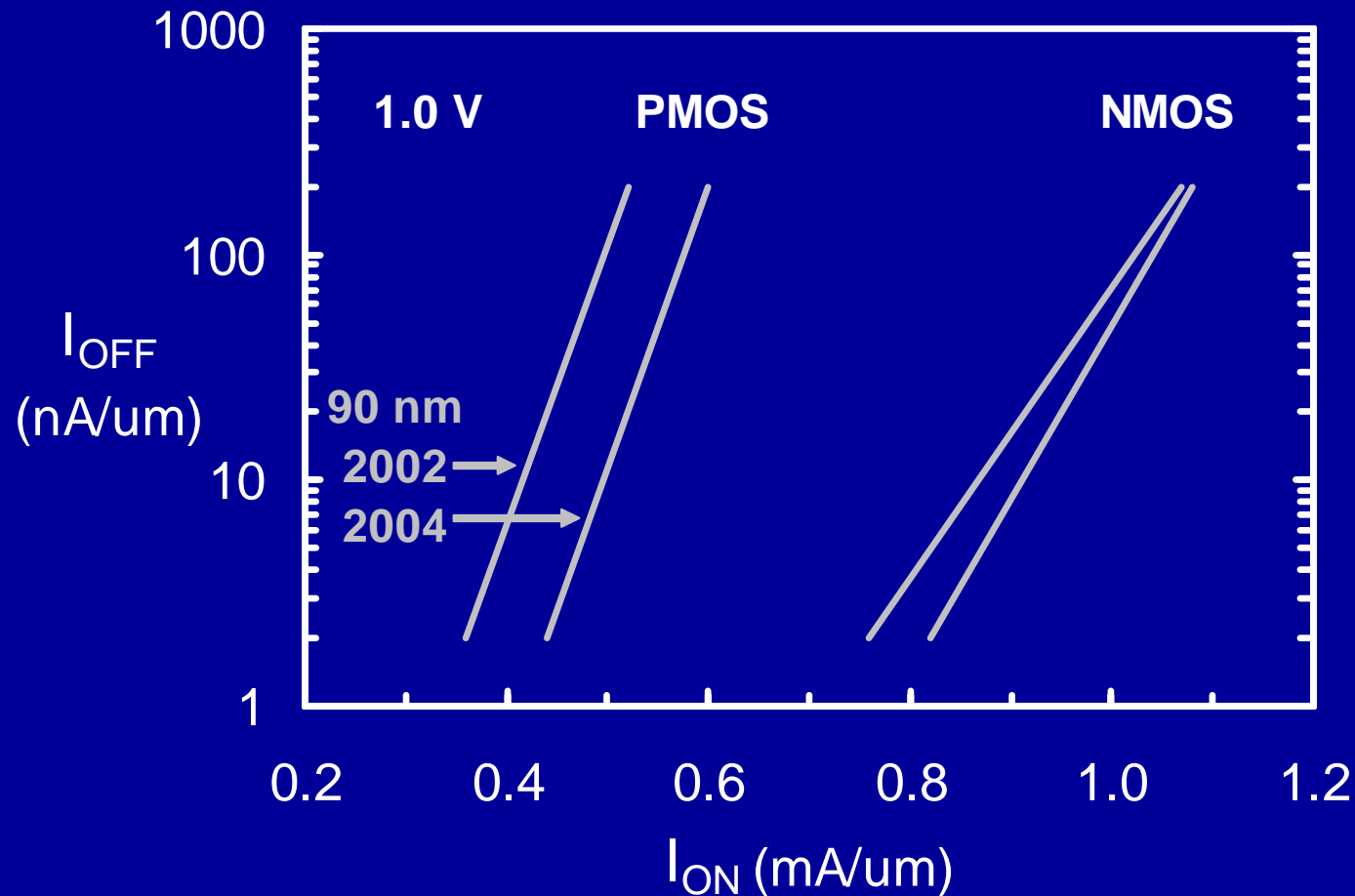
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# Improved Transistor Performance



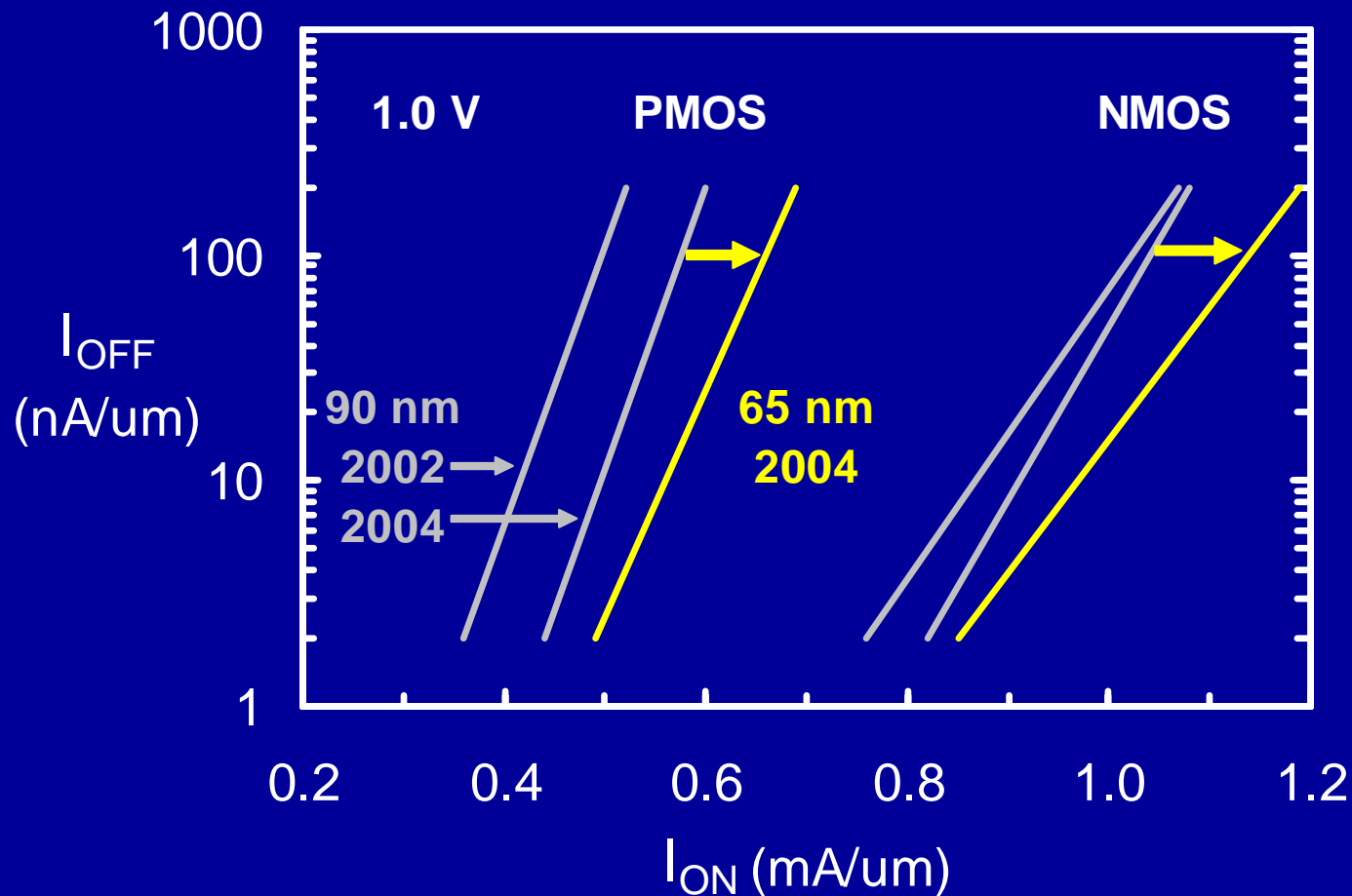
Improved transistors provide increased drive current ( $I_{ON}$ )  
at constant leakage current ( $I_{OFF}$ )

# Improved Transistor Performance



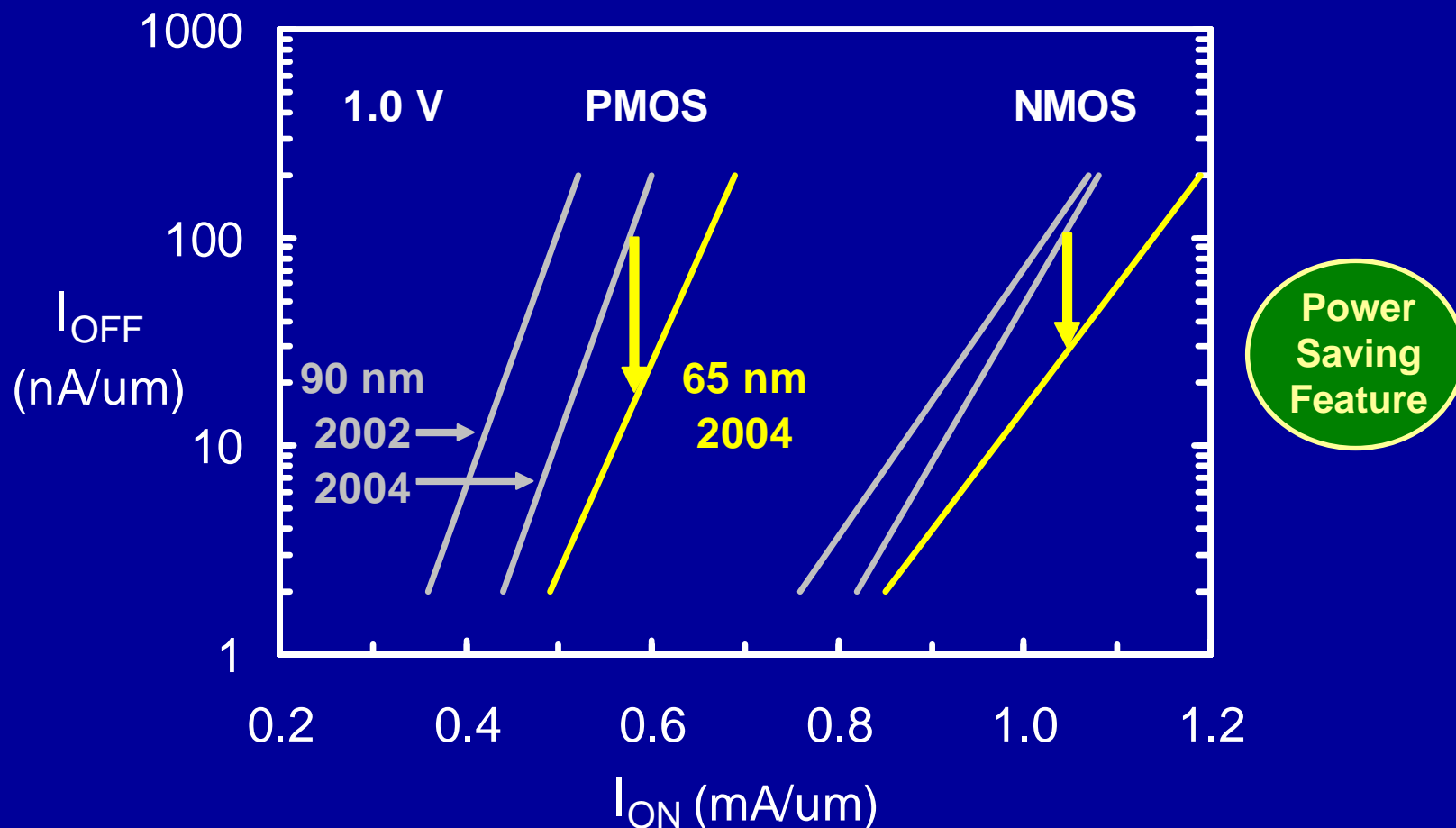
90 nm transistors have continued to improve

# Improved Transistor Performance



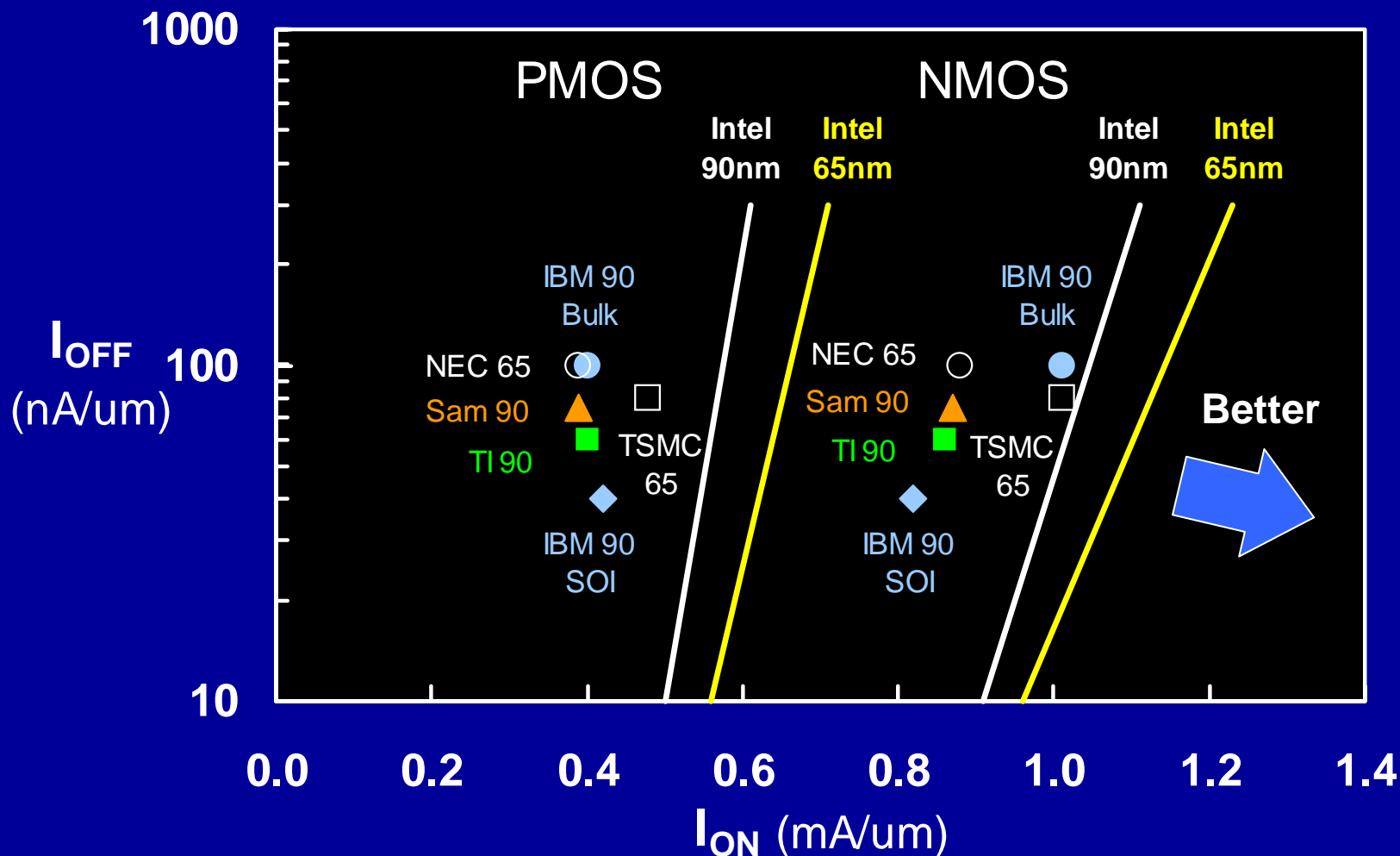
65 nm transistors increase drive current 10-15% with enhanced strain

# Improved Transistor Performance



65 nm transistors can alternatively provide ~4x leakage reduction  
No other company has matched these performance-leakage capabilities

# Intel Transistor Performance Leads the Industry



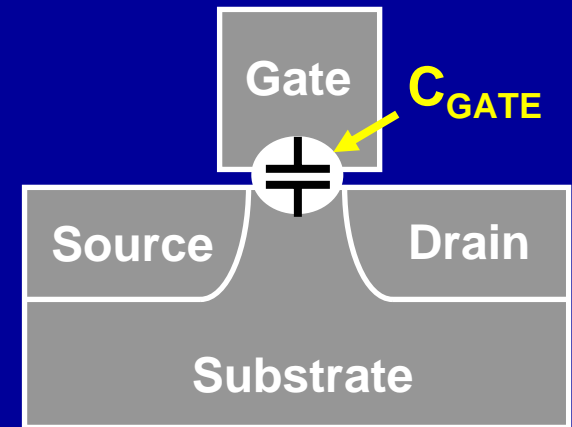
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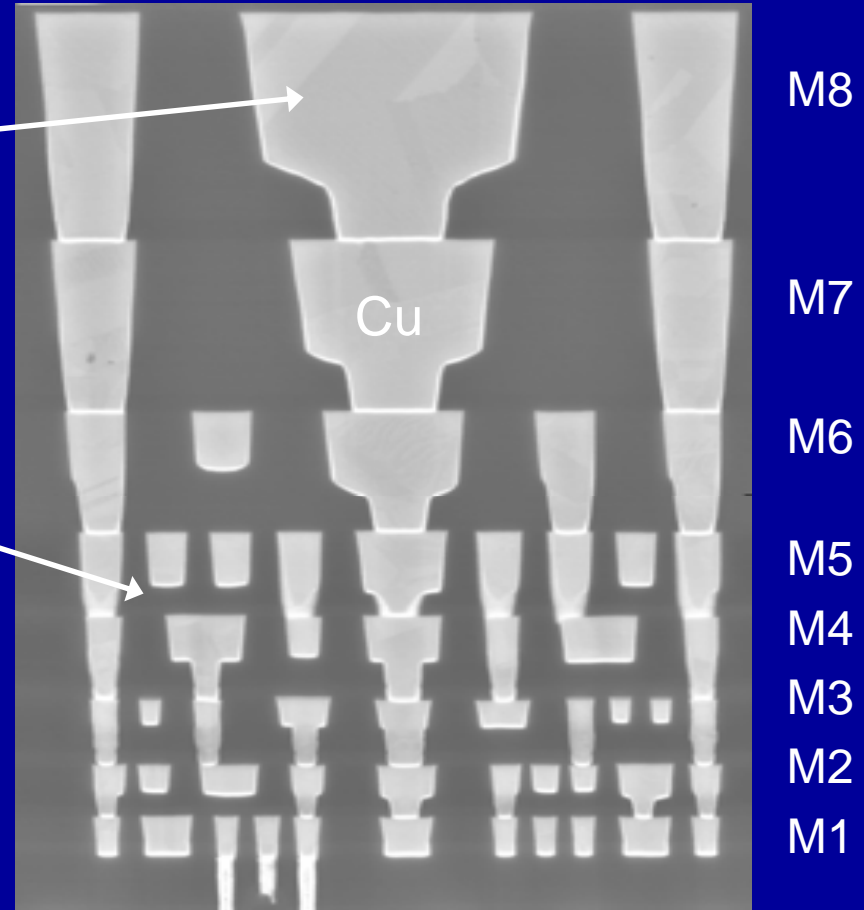
# Reduced Gate Capacitance

- Gate oxide thickness is held constant at 1.2 nm to avoid increased gate leakage
- Gate capacitance ( $C_{\text{GATE}}$ ) reduced ~20% due to smaller gate length (35 nm)
- Lower gate capacitance reduces chip active power
- Combination of higher drive current and lower gate capacitance provides ~1.4x increase in switching frequency

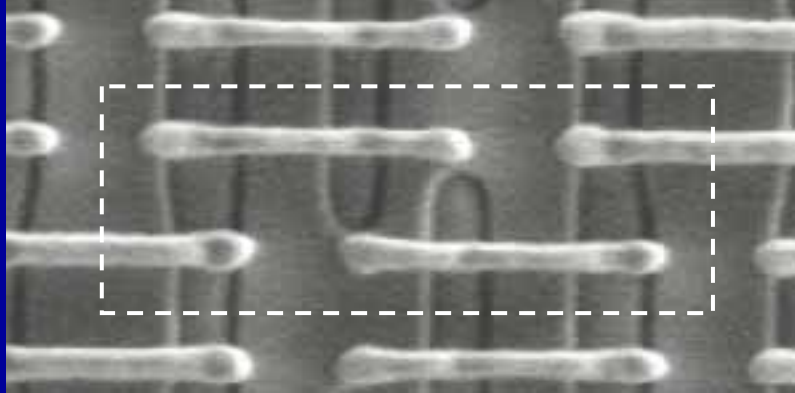


# 65 nm Generation Interconnects

- Metal 8 layer is added for improved density and performance  
(1 more layer than 90 nm)
- Low-k carbon doped oxide (CDO) dielectric reduces interconnect capacitance  
(~5% lower than 90 nm)
- Lower capacitance improves interconnect performance and reduces chip power



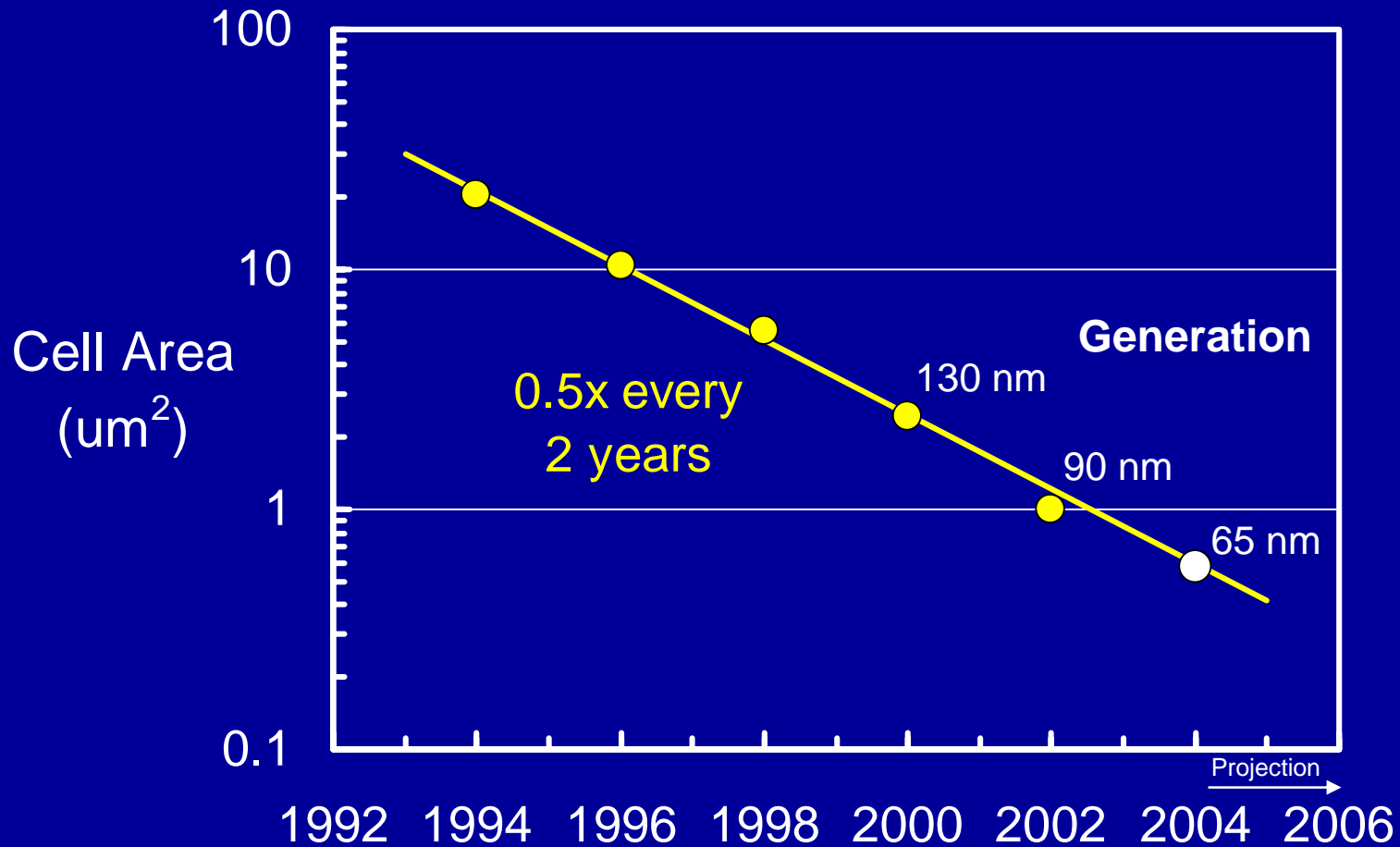
# 0.57 $\mu\text{m}^2$ 6-T SRAM Cell



- Ultra-small SRAM cell used in 65 nm process packs six transistors in an area of 0.57  $\mu\text{m}^2$
- Approximately 10 million transistors could fit in the area of the tip of a ball point pen (1  $\text{mm}^2$ )
- This SRAM cell is optimized for both small area and ability to operate large arrays at low voltage

**Power  
Saving  
Feature**

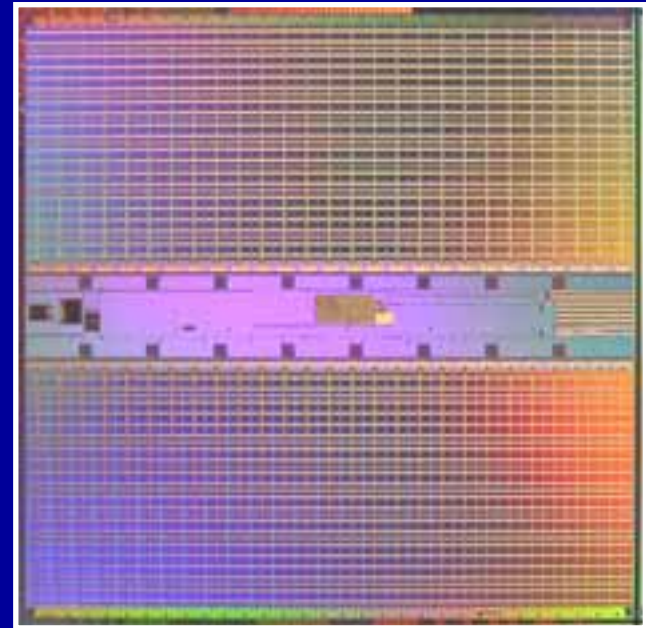
# Intel 6-T SRAM Cell Size Trend



Transistor density continues to double every 2 years

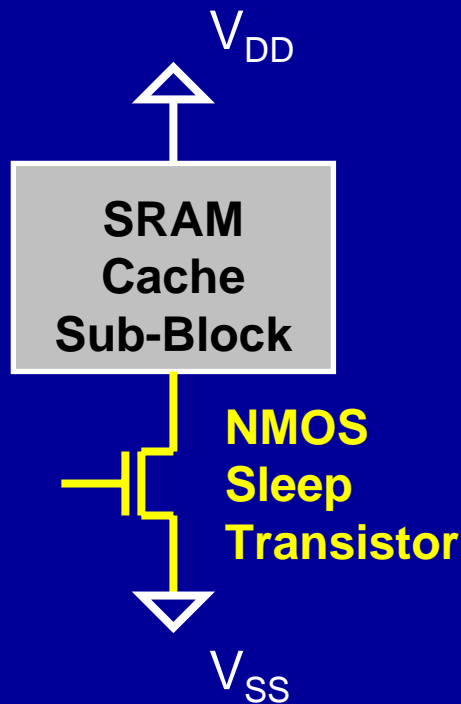
# 70 Mbit SRAM Chip

- 0.57  $\mu\text{m}^2$  cell size
- >0.5 billion transistors
- 110  $\text{mm}^2$  chip size
- Uses all process features needed for 65 nm logic products
- Fully functional 70 Mbit SRAM chips have been made

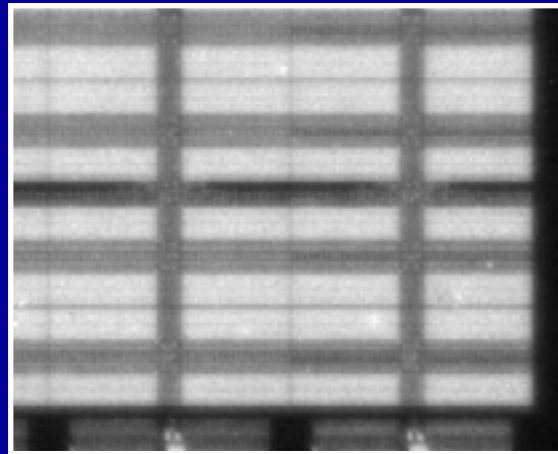


No other company has yet demonstrated this level of integration on their 65 nm technology

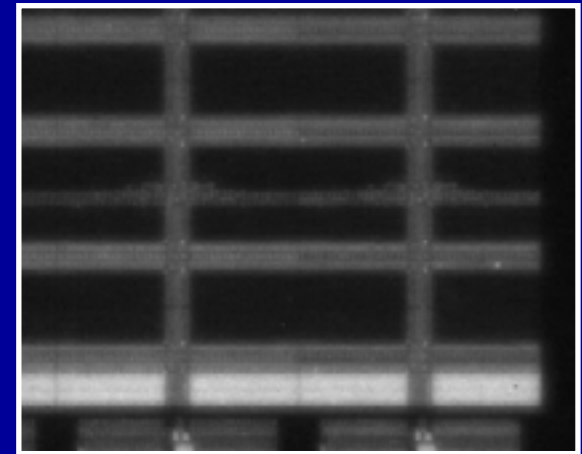
# Power Reduction with Sleep Transistors



70 Mbit SRAM IR photos



Normal SRAM sub-block leakage



Sleep transistors shut off leakage in inactive sub-blocks

>3x SRAM leakage reduction with use of sleep transistors

Power  
Saving  
Feature

# Power Saving Feature Schedule

90 nm P1262 2003	65 nm P1264 2005	45 nm P1266 2007
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strained Si</li><li>• Low-k carbon-doped oxide (CDO) dielectric</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> generation strained Si</li><li>• Reduced gate capacitance and constant gate oxide thickness</li><li>• SRAM cell stable down to 0.7V</li><li>• Sleep transistors</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High-k/metal gate</li><li>• Tri-Gate transistor</li></ul>

Subject to change

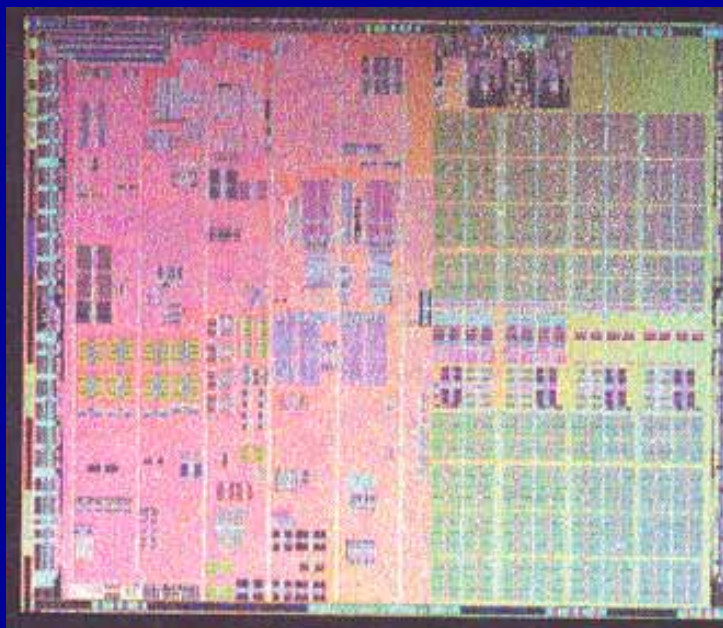
# Product Benefits from 65 nm

Intel's 65 nm process technology can:

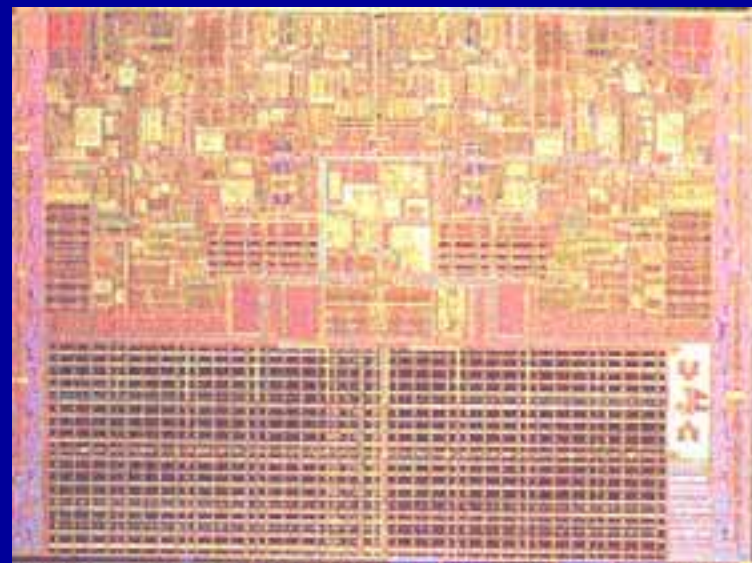
- Improve CPU performance at constant or lower power by using smaller and faster transistors
- Reduce chip size by a factor of two for previous-generation designs for reduced cost and lower power
- Double the number of transistors per chip at constant chip size
- More transistors add new circuit capabilities and improve CPU performance



# 65 nm Microprocessor Prototypes Fabricated



**Single Core**



**Dual Core**

\* Note: Not drawn to scale

# 65 nm Manufacturing

- Intel's 65 nm logic technology is being developed at our 300 mm wafer fab, D1D, located in Hillsboro, Oregon
- At 176,000 sq feet, D1D is Intel's largest individual clean room (roughly the size of 3.5 football fields)
- In addition to D1D, the 65 nm process will be manufactured on 300 mm wafers in Fab 12 in Arizona and Fab 24 in Ireland

# Summary

- Intel's 65 nm logic technology provides industry-leading density, performance and power reduction features
- With this advanced technology, circuit designers can add more circuit features and increase performance while staying within power limits
- Intel's 65 nm logic technology is being demonstrated on 70 Mbit SRAM chips and two different microprocessor prototypes
- No other company has demonstrated this level of integration on their 65 nm process
- Intel's 65 nm technology is on track for ramping in 2H 2005, continuing 2 year technology cycles

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